

REMARKS

Claims 12 and 13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Keppert et al. (US 5,520,378) in view of Stab (US 6,019,714).

It is assumed claims 10 and 11 were also rejected in this manner.

Reconsideration of the application based on the following is respectfully requested

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §103(a)

Claims 10 to 13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Keppert et al. (US 5,520,378) in view of Stab (US 6,019,714).

Claim 10 recites “a method for cutting and folding printed products comprising the steps of:

driving with a first motor a first loop for cutting a signature and transferring the signature to a first gripper;

driving with a second motor a second loop for tucking the signature into a first jaw and transferring the signature to a second gripper; and

driving with a third motor a third loop for tucking the signature into a second jaw.”

In Keppert, one signature is tucked only once into a jaw, by tucking cylinder 27 into a jaw of jaw cylinder 31. Neither cylinder 18 or cylinder 22 has a jaw.

Thus even if somehow Keppert could be combined with Stab (and it is respectfully submitted that one of skill in the art would not have), there is no “driving with a third motor a third loop for tucking the signature into a second jaw” as a signature in Keppert is never tucked into a second jaw.


Withdrawal of the rejections to claims 10 to 13 is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

The present application is respectfully submitted as being in condition for allowance and applicants respectfully request such action.

Respectfully submitted,

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